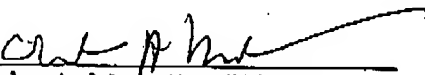


REMARKS

Applicants request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to accept the amendment despite section 714.16(a) of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure 13.10 concerning amendments after payment of the issue fee. The in-house patent agent in charge of the application left the assignee of the application and upon the replacement patent agent's review of the claims, it was ascertained that the allowed claims should not have been allowed. A telefax was sent to the United States Attorney handling the application with instructions not to pay the issue fee due by November 16, 2007 but unfortunately, the fee had been paid on November 13, 2007 because the attorney's assistant would not be in application after that date until November 19, 2007. Under these circumstances, entry of the amendment to limit the application to the compound of claim 50 and composition of claim 51 should be entered to avoid issuance of an improper patent issuing.

In the event Applicants' request for entry of the amendment is denied, Applicants express abandon the application.

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